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### Abou Ben. Butler.

a Ben. Butler (may his tribe increase.) cace one night down by the old Balize. deaw, outside the comfort of his room, sling it warmer for the gathering gloom, black man shivering in the winter's cold .-According courage made Ben Butler bold. and to the presence in the dark he said—
What wantest thou, "-The figure raised its head. A. I with a look made of all sad accord, Asswered - The men who'll serve the purpo

An i am I one ?" said Butler. "Nav. not so Hol the black man. Butler spoke more low. cheerly still; and said, " As I am Ben. I not have cause to tell me that again!" and once more, environed strong in light. I have the names whom love of Freedor

And he' Ben. Butler's name led all the rest. Transcript.

### The Soldier's Little Daughter.

The night was stormy, dark and cold; My way led through the city, Where wretched buildings, gray and old, Seemed stained with tears of pity.

A little bird unblest with wings. Her dark, sad eyes all tearful; Oh God! to see such tender things. Out in the storm is fearful

And thus she 'plained-" Oh! stranger hear

sons of rebels triumph."

there would have been no trouble.

sue of this struggle depends in a gr

great a purpose. He further says from what

I can learn, rebeldom is waning and is set in

everlasting night, or in the language of sol-

diers, "old Jeff's about played out." Such

soldiers as these are the ones we want and

are such as we for the most part have and

may we all be disposed to encourage and in

every way possible aid and assist by our

Sidney Smith tells of a maid who used to

boil the eggs very well by her master's watch.

cause it was under repairs; so she took the

time from the kitchen clock, and the eggs

but one day he could not lend it to her

means, our sympathies and our prayers. R.

I never begged before: But mother has been dead a year, And father's gone to war. And vesterday the work gave out

By which I earned a penny; Last night I had a crust of bread; To night I haven't any. 'And I am very hangry, sir;" I bought her bread-to spare-

hen up into the old gray house Ulimbed by the broken stair. I asked her name, her tender age : liden-est pity won her; A little maid of seven years

And all this woe upon her ! My name is Nelly Grover, sir: My father loved me dearly: And is it true as people say, That the war is ended-nearly?"

I was strange, but as she spoke, I chanced

O' awful hour! can I forget Her tears, her broken sobbing-The little heart I pressed to mine With bitter anguish throbbing! And as the light grew dimmer,

And the wild cries fainter fell, Unto my soul there came a voice, I marked its cadence well. · I sleep beneath the traiter's sod-I died for Liberty;

l gave my spirit unto God-My little child to thee. Teach her to hold as sacred trust, Her patriot father's doom : Teach her to pray that from his dust

Freedom's fair flower may bloom Thus to my home, most tenderly, With loving words I brought her Ah! only death could tear from me That soldier's little daughter.

## A Short Talk about Patriotism.

MR EDITOR: Having recently had occasion spend a few days in various towns in New Illumedire, I have been greatly surprised dual d to see the extraordinary efforts ast the rank and file of the Breckinridge Democracy are making to reinstate themmise that these Breckinridge Democrats wish wives in political matters. They openly dewe their hostility to every effort of the Gov- to make with the rebels. If there is any difference the course suggested with the robinment to out down the rebellion. They counce in unmeasured terms the Executrue that these secesh Democrats talk largethe and his Cabinet, and those of our leadly at times about sustaining the union, but godieers who labored most successfully and what do they do? They do nothing but \* to hally in defence of the rights of our throw thorns and briars in the way; they do all in their power to discourage and hinder of at a desire to reinstate rebels, with its progress. If they can get a discouraging slavery, to all the privileges of loyal the is; notwithstanding they, by their base to accept and rebellion have become outlaws to the Government, only deserving a felon's late. This rotten Democracy that prevails, not only in New Hampshire and New York, riots and are favored with patriotic feelings it to an alarming extent throughout the Union, whose leader and late Presidential addidate is now a general in the rebel army, and with whom they are no doubt as fully in appathy as they were on the 8th of Nov. 1560, are again, with all their rottenness, at tempting to palm themselves off as Jeffersonin Democrats and patriots, for officers and days if I had not. Secondly, I like the busicalers of a free, liberty-loving people, and haling that without their southern rebel rethren they are unable longer to control the freemen of the north, therefore for the take of the spoils of office, they show themselves ready to sell themselves soul and body esterity and country, to the rebels of the outh. As an apology for such base traitoron we hear a continual howling from this Breckenridge Democracy that the President has not regarded the constitution and that he has suspended the writ of habeas corpus, and that he has interfered with state rights in his emancipation proclamation; as though rebels and traitors to the government should at be arrested by order of the President in times of rebellion! As though felons had state rights, who demand that they shall be protected in their felony against the just inaignation of the national law! They even say the Republicans began the rebellion by salating the subject of slavery and talking about its evil, and about emancipation and by passing personal liberty laws. As though in a free country like ours its people could not talk of the evils of eternal bondage, of equation of families, of treating as goods and chattels a man's own offspring! As though a majority of the people must not vote as their oath demands, agreeably to the dictates of their conscience, when electing tade President! As though we could not alvise, or talk of devising ways and means to purchase or in some honorable way bar-Talla for the abolishment of an evil that is a came up nearly raw. "Why did you not tional character! As though states could take three minutes from the clock as you do not pass laws for the safety and protection from the watch, Mary?" "Well, sir, I supof people in these states! As though we posed that would be too much, as the hands

rould do none of these acts without being on the clock are so much longer." Fully of commencing the rebellion! The traitorous Democrats referred to, show officers and doings of the Government, and any better.

# Caledonian.

ST. JOHNSBURY, VT., FRIDAY, FEB. 13, 1863.

They read rebel successes long, loud and emphatically, and with smiling countenances. Below we give an extract from the late mine its national existence. All kinds of Papers and Cards kept constantly and Union successes with chop fallen faces, message of Gov Yates of Illinois. It has the That the President has foreborne long, be- among the things that have been. reading for 150 killed and wounded, 1500 ring of the true Jeffersonian metal:

sympathy of this same Democracy and for established the important fact that the Grand mation was not only justifiable, but ineviwant of proper effort on their part season- Army of the Potomac is not wanting in will table. ably to put it down, that all this evil is upon or courage, and that upon an equal field, our Indeed, it seems that Providence has pro- clean and wholesome. The men were placed home once more? But when we, able-bous; and now, for sooth, to this same rotten, triumph would be sure and glorious. It can tracted this war and subjected our people to in sheds built for the purpose. We found died men and women, who have not, as yet, is wiser than the New York World. He exploded rebel-loving Democracy, the great be no cause of exultation to the enemy that frequent humiliations and reverses, for the Capt Shiver, the officer in charge, a gentle-made a single sacrifice of personal comfort interests of liberty, freedom and patriotism he has maintained his ground when fighting purpose of making the destruction of slavery man. So were his officers. They did all for the war; who have never, for one single must be committed. "Tell it not in Gath; against direct assault from behind impregnatine vitable. If the first impressions enter- they could for us. But the people could not moment, gone cold, or hungry, or thirsty for tion will go just as far as He wills, and no publish it not in the streets of Askalon, lest ble fortifications. That a way will be found tained by the President and the nation—that endure to see us allowed any privileges. The country's sake; when we sit comfortable over farther. Army contractors and unprincipled the daughters of oppressors rejoice, and the to dislodge him, I have no fears.

by the rebels upon our government in taking incubus which seemed to weigh it down re- restored with the same blistering curse of We lost but few men here, though some tle, and be a little shabby, before we begin to out of them, they wept and sat before the government forts and property all round our solved upon the policy henceforward "to slavery to rest upon us forever in the future, died afterwards from hardship and exposure, give the rein to our despondency. Let us be Lord, and fasted, and officed burnt officings, southern coasts, and murdering our inhabi- move upon the enemy's works."

were of but little account; the property was against it may have had their effect in recent have been constitutionally abolished. And there I read. - shot through the heart, of no great value, and the thing might and elections; but this effect was temporary. - now the necessity of emancipation is forced ing for the rebellion. should have been compromised, should have Time will abundantly prove that this policy upon us by the inevitable events of the war, been settled up without rescriing to war. was dictated by a just and wise statesman- and is made constitutional by the act of the He said if it had not been for republicans ship, and that it will followed by a successful rebels themselves, and the only road out of termination of our troubles.

I ask, Mr Editor, should you suppose that such a soft-shelled, traitorous copperhead could have been born in and ever breathed sympathizers in the rebel cause. As well might we talk of compromising with robbers slaves. In peace, when all the people obey would make peace desirable upon any terms. inquiry: and murderers as to approve of such traitor- the constitution and the laws, neither Congress Hence slavery must be removed. Thus the To the Editor of the Daily Chronicle. ous suggestions. Would it not show in a nor the President could interfere with slav-rebellion which was designed to perpetuate Sir: The New York Times of yesterday ism that shows itself by a dejected counter-

it is true that you have robbed and murdered this household, but it is of no great account, and complete. The right of intervention was ing basis of universal liberty. the property taken is not worth much, and never claimed in such a case. On the conyou may keep this and we will compromise trary, it was persistently denied by the Presthe matter and have no further trouble, only and the party that elevated him to the Presi- As experienced by one who spent thirteen you shall not murder any others unless they | dency.

say something against your peculiar proper- 1 am for the constitution of my country, ty." Now is not this precisely the comproand desire to see it sustained in its true spiroretation. I may not be able to appreciate highly the wisdom of the provision for the ber and murderer is far less ridiculous. It is return of a fugitive slave to a bondage from which he is escaping, is an independent proposition; yet, because it is in the constitution and was one of its compromises, in consideration of which the free states got the Jefferonian or licance of 1787: because it is in the constitution, and because the constitution letter or sentiment from a cowardly, secesh was in every other respect so perfect; because soldier, it is trumpeted forth and talked of it is the work of our fathers and the organic as that sustained by the soldiers generally. law of the land, I have been and still am will-But, thank fortune, a great portion of our ing to see its every provision enforced and soldiers are not of this stamp; they are patmaintained, in the protection of every right claimed by those who submit to its authorand sentiments, as may be seen from the folity. I have always stood ready with my vote, lowing extracts from letters recently received my voice, and if need be, my life, to protect from a friend formerly residing in this town : every section in the enjoyment of its rights. In answer to inquiries from his parents as If the seceding states had remained quiet and to his feeling in regard to enlisting he says: not assailed the government, nor trampled in In the first place I am glad I enlisted and the dust the very constitution which secures should have felt like a sheep thief all my them the uninterrupted enjoyment of their cherished institution, there would have been ness ten times better than I expected, and not only no right, and no disposition to have have not had ten cents worth of home-sickproclaimed emancipation. But they have ness since I have been out here. Thirdly, I overthrown this constitution and established would not leave for Vermont to-day if I for themselves a new one; there they can could. Fourthly, the cause which I am enclaim no rights under the old. After years gaged in is well worth the sacrifices and priof deliberate premeditation, and secret prepvations incident to nine months' services. aration, they prepared the act of secession Fifthly, rebellion totters worse than ever. they denied their allegiance to the constitu-Sixthly, it has got to fall and I am just the tion, set up an independent government, desboy to help do it. When we consider that poiled the nation of its money, its arms and we are defending a free government and a munition of war, seized upon our forts, insulted our flag, fired upon our soldiers at copy from my journal: free people, and the brightest star in the firmament of nations against the foul hand of Fort Sumpter, plunged our hitherto peacetreachery and treason, and that upon the ful people into sanguinary, fratricidal war. filled every homestead with grief, and covermeasure the question whether or not an ined the land with two hundred thousand fresh lependent and intelligent people can govern made graves. From the outset until now themselves. Surely we can endure without they have been invoking the aid of foreign a murmur the hardships accruing during our nine months for the accomplishment of so

> disgraceful to the blackest annals of savage guides and 2 musicians. warfare. bloody internecine war, brought on by the 900 soldiers. themselves, has changed all the relations of ment condemn the policy that strips these dent knew of that "neglect," and thus took God that he had. Things undoubtedly look- exhort them briefly. The rebeis were com-

> further vindicated upon the higher ground of spring, more than 50,000 negroes might be national self preservation. Though slavery in our employ that are now in aid of the reb- orders; but it will be a new feature in mili- must have looked dark to the Jews when the Says one of his gallant feilows, I fancied for was entirely beyond the reach of the Gov- els.

ernment in time of peace, yet the Government | The rebels know full well the benefit of FA malignant sore throat is a bad thing; in the exercise of its belligerent rights has these men and hence their howl of agony their partiality for rebels in underrating the but a malignant throat, not sore, is scarcly not only the power, but it is its bounden when the President declares he will emanciduty to preserve unmutilated its territory, pate all the slaves. Teh traitors of the North

The Way a Loyal Democrat Talks. and to weaken, cripple and crush out, by all know full well what an "apple of discord" available means, a rebellion aiming to under- this slavery has been, hence their "honest

fore taking his final step, was to be expected Nothing of interest happened on our jour- about being discouraged? If the army were killed, and wounded without number, sighing The recent partial reverses of arms at Fred- of one who had so often denied the right of new and we arrived at Columbia about 7 o'-"Oh, this Abe Lincoln war is an awful thing; ericksburg has caused some to look with des- intervention in the domestic institutions of clock, P. M., the first day of Jan. 1862. its no use, no more recruits can be raised in pondency upon the prospect of the suppres- the states; but when the seceding states It was not the most "happy new year" we repea edly disappointed in every prospect of this country; we are all wiped out; its all sion of the rebellion. Such should not be themselves made the issue-slavery against had spent, but what we lacked in happiness a speedy return; peace-loving men, seeing owing to the Black Republicans agitating the case. The most successful armies in the the government-resorted to arms to over- we made up in sport. slavery." Thus carrying the idea that the world have met with reverses. The battle throw the constitution, and to carve out of We held a session of Congress, and did as voters in the nation are such forgetful fools at Fredericksburg seemed to be almost a nec- our dismembered territory an oligarchy, the many foolish things, I doubt not, as ever a vere hardships; intellectual and intelligent that they do not remember that this rebellion essity. The public sentiment would not chief corner stone of which was to be slavery real Congress did. The Confederate soldiers men, cut off from the pursuits of literature was got up under the administration of this longer brook delay. The demoralization of as a perpetual institution; and when also it and officers seemed annoyed at our cheerful- and life; -who would have any right to wonsame Breckinridge Democracy, and that no the army, and the exhausted patience of the cannot be denied that slavery is the practical ness. They seemed greatly disappointed in der or reproach if they should, in the bittereffort of any account was made by them to country, demanded a foward movement at all element in support of the rebellion; I main- our appearances and actions, having got the ness of heart engendered of repeated repulhave cause to ten me that again :

The next night put it down; and that it was through the hazards. The battle at Fredericksburg has tain, under all the circumstances, the procla
idea from Charleston that we were little better ses, delays and disappointments, be occasion-

> My faith in ultimate triumph is stronger sufficient to intimidate the rebels into sub- day, so he and his officers here, as at Charles- rocking-chairs, with newspapers and new In my travels amongst the copperheads now than ever, because I believe that the mission, if our arms in the first instance had ton, had very good food and many comforts books, and a turkey for Christmas in the first referred to, I fell in with a peculiar administration has settled upon the true, the been everywhere triumphant; if the grand that others were unable to have. The ma-kitchen, and talk about being disheartened, I specimen of the rebel sympathizers who real-only policy under which it is possible to army of the Potomac had driven back the sons also visited the prisoners, and did a great think we play the fool. Let us tear up our against 26,000 Benjaminite swordsmen and ly seemed to suppose that he could make achieve success. That policy consists, first, rebels at Manassas, had taken Richmond, deal for the comfort of the fraternity. men born in christendom under the light of in a more vigorous prosecution of the war; and planted the flag upon the capitol of every on the whole our treatment at Columbia the rebels have done; let us turn our houses repulsed with terrible slaughter. Then they the sun, and laying claim to patriotism and second in the proclamation of emancipation. state, and we had everwhere been victorious, was very just and humane. But Capt Shi- and churches into hospitals; let us confine came to their senses. In the first place they love of country believe that the republicans A sickening despondency, occasioned by by land and by sea, crushing the enemy as it ver and his officers were afterwards punished ourselves to two meals a day, and one course went forth with a high hand and a stretched commenced the war; and on being told that painful delays has been preying fearfully were within the contracting folds of a fearful for showing so much kindness to us. Here at a meal, and no butter to our bread; let us out arm, asking haughtily of the Lord, facts within the memory of all over two years upon the heart of the nation. But true, loy- anaconda, and the enemy had returned to again, we were held hostages for "bridge wear old shoes clouted upon our feet, and "which of us shall go up first to the battle old showed to the contrary, and on being real hearts beat with quicker pulsations when the rightful authority of the Government, burners "that Gen Halleck had threatened old garments, and only linsey woolsey for against the children of Benjamin?" But ferred to the facts of the warfare commenced the administration, freeing itself from the then undoubtedly the Union would have been to hang.

> > this war is by blows aimed at the heart of There are but few, even among the politi- the rebellion, in the entire demolition of the cians, who openly avow that they are op- evil which is the cause of all our present

## SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY !

ton mil. Castle Pinckaev. Columbia jail. Island, and a few other holes.

BY CAPT. J. T. DREW.

CHAPTER IX.

Our journey to Columbia was the pleasantest one we had in any part of the South. The sound of Yankee guns and the movement of Northern armies, were creating ders by Gen McClellan, in not leaving for lighten them a shade or two. something like respect for the Union soldiers. As we left the city, we could see thousands of negroes at work on the fortifications, and we met large bodies of troops that had just tomac. come from Manassas.

The "nigger" is certainly a great institution. At the south they can send into the field all the able bodied men and boys, and feel sure that the negroes will till the soil and raise their food. Then, too, in the army they have their teams driven by negroes their horses cared for by negroes, their cooks are negroes, their servants negroes; their drummers, fifers and pioneers are generally colored men, guides, scouts, spies, foragers, blacksmiths, coopers, tinkers, carpenters, tailors, saddlers, harness-makers, braziers, gunsmiths, boatmen, pontoonmen, engineers, brakemen, conductors, workmen, and so in many other crafts, are negroes. To give you something of an idea of the service the rebels get from their negroes, I will give the statistics I got from Col R-, of Charleston, S.

His regiment consisted of ten companies, and at that time was 800 strong. Here I

Col R. told me of the 800 men, he had nearly 500 who were wealthy planters, havversation, I was able to make out the follow-

bayonets to butcher our citizens, and to car- age in every company, 80 whites, and 20 ry out their wicked purpose to overthrow blacks.

ducted the war upon principles of barbarity, 3 mechanics, 3 laborers, 3 wood-choppers, 3

The seceding states have forfeited all right one regiment, 200 efficient blacks to do the to the protection of their slaves, or even their work that would otherwise require 200 white ecution of his plans, all the world would be the same; but I, and of exhortation, especially when they bulge own lives, under the constitution, and the men. Then all the remaining slaves owned have placed the responsibility at the door of most of those who read this paper, have no upon you with a big "amen." You must impeople of the loyal states are released from by these rebel planters, can surely do the the President. Gen McClellan did not do more influence over the management of agine this fact to appreciate the story. The any constitutional obligation to protect them work of 200 more white men; thus with in any right whatever. A ferocious and their slaves these 500 rebels are as good as

wicked and infernal machination of the rebels | Certainly no honest patriot can for a mothe Government and all the obligations of the rebels of such a strong arm as their slaves. Had all the slaves been taken and made use The propriety of the proclamation is still of in the onward march of our army last

wrath" as they see it is to be placed forever

us, and the jail where we were confined was up everything for the sake of peace and the levy of seventy-five thousand men was Irish brought Col Corcoran his meals every our registers and by our "McGees," in our

tants, and in various ways showing their de- To the timid, conservative mind, the inau- ment of strife and heart burning. Under There were several political prisoners here, national honor before we talk about being enough, "Shall I vet again go out to battle termined hostility to government, he very guration of the policy of emancipation may such a state of things the necessity would among them a German, who was in for "tam-discouraged from doing more. coolly and charitably replies that these things have seemed rash, and the clamors raised not have arisen under which slavery could pering with slaves,"—a flimsy charge, got And without waiting to make sacrifices, I or shall I cease —they had quite forgotten up because he was rich and would give noth- do wish people would stop talking dolefully that little matter of relationship in the begin-

> Gen. McClellan and the Defense of Washington.

IMPORTANT LETTER FROM MAJOR GEN.

The following letter by Major Gen E. A. ning, and does mischief. If when people feel the shame, but not the sin. The fact that posed to emancipation in the abstract. The fearful complications. It is now made pal- Hitchcock, advising-general of the war de- low spirits coming on, they would take a God works with all who work for Him, should the pure air of New England? It is even so, pretense is that it is unconstitutional. I free publy striking, that if slavery should be left partment, was called out by an erroneous walk, or go down cellar and stay, or put be at once our shield against despondency, and he is only a specimen of the democratic by confess that in peace times there existed undisturbed, the war would be protracted and inaccurate publication of the testimony themselves out of sight somewhere, and keep and our inspiration to effort. Whether we no power to issue a proclamation to free the until the loss of life and national bankruptcy given by him before the McDowell court of out of sight till the fit is over, I think they never fail. Sooner or later, by us or by

peculiar light the dignity and character of erv. Any attempt to do so would be an un- slavery and plant it upon an enduring basis, contains what was designed to be received nance. Of course temperament has much to any community to say to such fellows, "we authorized and flagrant usurpation of power, is now, under a righteous Providence' being by the public as a report of my testimony do in this thing. One person will be deeply do not want any trouble about this matter; In such case the juri-diction of each state made the instrument to destroy it, and to before the McDowell court, now in session depressed where another will be calm and Monday, and was called out by a serenade in over its domestic institutions would be ample consummate peace upon the solid and endur- in this city, but it is so full of errors and in- cheerful. But call it temperament. Don't the evening. He made a speech that every passages, and in one material particular di- And if you have a hard fight to be cheerful, try to party, should adopt as his own :request that you will afford space in your own hearth-stone, and show there that you to be. Before this war begun I was a lawmonths in Richmond "black hole," Charles columns for an accurate publication of that do not shrink from conflict. Discouragement yer, and since I have been a soldier. All I testimony, together with the documents ex- will melt away if it is not pampered; but if have ever asked has been men and means to Richmond hospital, Salisbury prison, Bell hibited with it, which can doubtless be had you go with a melancholy face to somebody.

> sponsibilities in case of a disobedience of or- good reason to suppose your saving so will army corps composing the Army of the Po- But people who have a knowledge of this

my usage has always placed it-with the offi-blunder, avarice, jealousy, greed, and all manfront of Washington, merely took a necessary ished at the amount of practical infidelity step to repair a mischief committed by Gen developed among Christians. From the McClellan himself, in not attending to the manner in which many talk and look it order of the 8th of March, which was reiter- would seem as if God was not in all their ated through the secretary of war on the 13th thoughts. Noboby expects time-servers to

In the Times' report of my testimony, this and results; but people who profess to wordent, and not with Gen McClellan.

court, that Gen McClellan, in disobeying the sufficient in peace, while everything goes when he goes back to the altar. His benevorders of the President, took upon himself smoothly, but rather taken aback by a sud- olence just hes his military flock in the in the responsibility for all the consequences den outburst of war—a God adequate to the dulgence of sly humor at his expense, but he never permits them to disturb his equanimity. that might follow such disobedience. This government of the world in ordinary times, Several battle anechotes of him are well auis a plain military principle, which every sol- but quite out of his reckoning in these tu- thenticated. Not long ago Gen Negley mer

er course, under the orders of the President, not the least confidence in his ability to cope the boys to 'give 'em heal.' Company A, 80 whites, 20 blacks. Aver- was first to obey the orders punctually and with Stonewall Jackson and Gen Lee. I plied the colonel, reproachingly, "there's more had sufficient force left for the execution of generals should say, "God will take | care of the rebels 'Hail Columbia,' and they have the constitution; they have throughout conducted the war upon principles of barbarity. 3 mechanics 3 laborers 2 models by the Penincular of the Caretain of generals should say, "God will take [care of the perverted my language." The parson, howtheir cause," and should therefore not post
ever, explained with a sly twinkle in the corand the Peninsula. If not, he should have pickets, or watch the enemy, they would ner of his eye, which left me in considerable reported to the President before starting on deny the faith, and be worse than Infidels; doubt. Taking this as an average, and we have in his expedition. If in that case, the Presi- or if we should say it, and therefore cease to crit preachers are Stentors. Where other dent had required him to proceed in the ex- pray and to work in every possible way for parsons are emphatic, they roar in the fervor

> ing" the point so "explicitly" ordered by the rial anywhere, than Daniel had over the bia." They were renewing the attack. The Presidet, and put a large part of his force in motion for the Isthmus before the Fresiupon himself the entire responsibility for all ed very dark when the Israelites stood fronting swiftly. Glancing first at the foe, then that followed.

> A brilliant success has often protected an officer from the penalty affixed by law-see the 9th article of War-to disobedience of ary history when failure resulted from a de- Assyrian host sat down before their city, but an instant that it was the frenzied ejaculaparture of plans and orders, shall be visited upon the superior, whose plan was not followed and whose orders were " neglected." Respectfully, &c., E. A. HITCHCOCK.

Washington City, D. C., Jan 21, 1863.

earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof. This country belongs to God. It was His when forgotten people held it-His when WHOLE NO. 1333 it passed into the hands of the Indians—His when our fathers dwelt here and His to-Courage. BY GAIL HAMILTON.

day. If the Lord can afford to let it go, I rather think we can. If His cause can be better served by giving it over a while to dead men's bones and all uncleanness, it shall be given. Possibly God sees that the only What do we civilians mean by talking way by which we will be led to the truth is a reductio ad absurdum. He will let us so, we might perhaps not be surprised .have another pull at slavery, selfishness, and Home-loving men, long away from home, and wicked prosperity, or perhaps let us try anarchy, and division, and humiliation a while, till we shall be ready to return to Him. I no termination of the war; quiet and comhope not. We ought to strive that it may not fort-loving men, exposed to repeated and sebe necessary. I only say that if worse comes to worst, we should not put on mourning, as if the earth were orphaned of its Maker.

True, we cannot be sure that He is on our

side, but we can at least be sure that we are on His. We talk of our country, and it is ours-just as Paul's house was his. The

One talks of intervention, another of disnemberment, a third of compromise, and men's knees smite one against another for fear: but He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh. The Lord shall have them in derision. He is greater than Vallandigham. moves through all the clash of arms. He officers are His instruments. He makes even the wrath of man to praise him, and the remainder He will restrain.

Four hundred thousand Israelites went up carpets to make blankets for the soldiers, as 700 sharpshooters, and were twice shamefully new : let us shiver a little, and famish a lit- after their pride had been thoroughly beaten as it had been in the past, a perpetual ele- who had made their escape and were retaken. quite sure that we have done something for and peace offerings, and then asked humbly against the children of Benjamin, my brother, and never begin again. Lacon says it is ming; but having returned to the Lord, and easier to bear our misfortunes than the com- put themselves under His guidance, they went up the next time to decisive and comments of our friends upon them. Electricity plete victory.

never hurts anything so long as a cloud sails If we do not conquer this rebellion it will be on quietly alone; but the moment it bump; an indelible disgrace upon us, but the truth against another cloud, out leaps the light- will not be disgraced. Every individual who does all in his power to conquer it, will share would do great good to their country. I somebody else, the earth shall be redeemed have not the slightest respect for the patriot- and Christ shall reign.

## The Right Politics for a Soldier.

Gen Rosseau was at Lancaster, Pa., on accuracies of all sorts, misplacements of whole call it patriotism, or superior sensibility. | soldier, and every civilian who prefers coun-

rectly reversing my statement, that I beg to rejoice that you can have the battle by your and not a politician, and never expect but a minute long. I am for the govern. his face will answer to yours, you will put ment of my fathers and the friends of tha If my testimony was worth publishing at your burdens together, and roll up such a government, and I am against the enemies of all, it ought to have been published as I gave it. load as is dismal to think of. I believe the that government and all their friends, both It was the duty of the court to determine the late affair at Fredericksburg derived half its that they be so united as not to cripple the questions I should be called upon to answer, gloom-diffusing power from the people's tell- effects of the soldiers in the field-"no matand mine only to state the truth, as sworn to. ing each other how dreadful it was. Never ter what your political predilections may be, The court asked my opinion touching the re- say things look very dark, unless you have unite to save the country, and after that settle questions of policy. Let not your differbrave men who are fighting that you may be the security of Washington the force desig- I can understand that very ignorant Athe- free. In the army of the Cumberland, in nated by the four commanders of the four ists should be hopeless regarding this war. which I have the honor or commanding a diworld's history on the one side, or of God work; no dissentions or jealousies weaken In answering this question, I placed the on the other, are without excuse. True, their force. From Gen Rosecrans, the hero responsibility where the military law and ar- leaders may be incompetent, generals may of Corinth and Murfreesboro, down to the cer who, as was assumed in the question, had ner of selfishness, may seem to push our command and faith in the justness of the disobeyed the order-to wit with Gen Mc- cause on to certain shipwreck; but do you cause. When they go into battle they have Clellan, and not with the President, who, in suppose that the Lord God Almighty is go- no other purpose than to crush the rebellion making good his original order by the deing to be stopped in his course by the nonsults of your divisions yet. I will say to tention of a part of McDowell's corps in arrival of a pontoon bridge? I am aston- those who will raise issues and make comment of your fathers, and then you can have the offices from now to eternity."

# A Fighting Parson.

Col Granville Mondy of the 74th Ohio look higher than Tammany for machinery a famous Methodist preacher from Cincinnets. portion of it is inverted, and I am put for ship God, the Father, Almighty, Maker of two or three linches, of imposing presence. ward-I am bound to suppose by accident - heaven and earth, might be expected to pos- with a fine, genial face, and prodigious vocal as placing the responsibility with the Presi- sess their souls in patience. It seems to us range. The reverend colonel, who proved that the God whom many of us worship is My opinion was, and was so stated to the after our own image and likeness-a God bero, and will carry the signature of buttle multuous days. We can trust him to give rily accused him of using heterodax exple I will add here that Gen McClellan's prop- us day by day our daily bread, but we have lives in the arder of conflict. "Is it a fact, colonel," inquired the general, "that you told precisely, and then to consider whether he know that God works by means, and if our of the boys mischief. I told them to give

troops at Vicksburg, the disposition of forces fight. He had already had one bout with He commenced his expedition "neglect- in Virginia, the furnishing of plans or mate- the rebels, and did give them "Hail Column lions. We have the same call for trust in colonel braced himself for the shock. Seeing ing the sea, with the Egyptian cavalry hard at the lads, he said quietly, "Now, my boys, after them; but the sea returned and cov- fight for your country and your God," and ered both chariots and horsemen. Things raising his voice to thunder tones, he bellowed in the same breath, "AIM LOW!" in the morning they were all dead corpses, tion from the profoundest depths of the Those were bible times, miracle times; but "amen corner." Any day now you may hear the lads of the 74th roaring, "Fight for is the Lord's arm shortened, that He cannot your country and your God-sim low !"-

save, or His ear heavy that He cannot hear? Letter from Losecran's Army.